

February 24th, 2021

Senator Paul G. Pinsky, Chair Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee 2 West Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis, MD 21401

RE: SB 661 – <u>FAVORABLE</u> – Environment – Maryland Oil Disaster Containment, Clean–Up and Contingency - Fund and Oil Contaminated Site Environmental Cleanup Fund – Funding, Reallocation, and Reimbursements

Dear Chairman Pinsky and Committee Members:

The Maryland Transportation Builders and Materials Association ("MTBMA") has been and continues to serve as the voice for Maryland's construction transportation industry since 1932. Our association is comprised of 200 members. MTBMA encourages, develops, and protects the prestige of the transportation construction and materials industry in Maryland by establishing and maintaining respected relationships with federal, state, and local public officials.

SB 661 pertains to the funding of oil containment and oil clean up in Maryland. As an industry, we use this program often and hope to see it continue. This program has been extremely beneficial for us to ensure safe environmental practices. The needs of our members and industry are great, and this bill would help us serve our community as efficiently as possible. We appreciate the sponsor's steps in maintaining a clean and healthy environment while simultaneously addressing the needs of the transportation industry.

We thank you for your time and consideration and ask for a FAVORABLE report on Senate Bill 661.

Thank you,

Michael Sakata President and CEO

Maryland Transportation Builders and Materials Association